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Characteristics When Applied on Different Persons

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION NO. 2

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Sir:

In response to Office Action No. 2 dated November 27, 2002, the Applicant requests the claim amendments reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this response to the above-referenced application in an effort to overcome examiner's rejections.

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Claim 1. (Currently Amended) A fragrance composition exhibiting varying olfactive characteristics when applied on different persons, comprising one or more acid compounds, one or more aromatic nitrogen containing compounds, one or more aldehydes, one or more aromatic phenols, one or more natural essential oils containing terpenes and an organic solvent suitable for solubility and skin use ~~each in an effective amount to produce varying olfactive characteristics~~, wherein said acid compounds comprise at least about 20% of the overall weight of the composition, wherein said aromatic nitrogen compounds comprise at least about 2.5% by weight of the overall composition, wherein said aldehyde compounds comprise at least about 1.0 % by weight of the overall composition, wherein said aromatic phenol compounds comprise at least about 0.2% by weight of the overall composition, wherein said natural essential oil containing terpenes comprise at least about 5% by weight of the overall composition, and wherein said compounds are combined without application of heat.

Claim 2. (Currently Amended) A fragrance composition exhibiting varying olfactive characteristics when applied on different persons, comprising ana combination, without application of heat, of an effective amount of one or more acid compounds and one or more fragrance compounds selected from the group consisting of: aromatic nitrogen containing compounds, aldehydes, aromatic phenols and natural essential oils containing terpenes, and an organic solvent suitable for solubility ~~ad~~and skin use.

Claim ~~3~~. (Cancelled)

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Claim 4. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the acid compound component is selected from the group consisting of alpha and beta hydroxy acids, tartaric acid, benzoic acid, citric acid, malic acid and lactic acid.

Claim 5. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the aromatic nitrogen containing compound component is selected from the group consisting of piperidine, indole, methyl anthranilate, dimethyl anthranilate, isobutyl quinoline, aromatic pyrazines and geranyl nitrile.

Claim 6. (Previously Amended) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the aldehyde component is selected from the group consisting of helional, benzaldehyde, methyl benzaldehyde, lilial, lyral, aldehyde C-11, undecylenic, aldehyde C-12 lauric, triplal and geraniol oxy acetaldehyde.

Claim 7. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the aromatic phenol component is selected from the group consisting of maltol, thymol, ethyl vanillin, vanillin, and isoeugenol.

Claim 8. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the natural essential oil containing terpenes component is selected from the group consisting of D-Limonene, orange oil, lemon oil, mandarin oil, grapefruit oil, lime oil and terpeneol.

Claim 9. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 1, wherein the organic solvent component is selected from the group consisting of dipropylene glycol, propylene glycol, ethyl alcohol, isopropyl myristate and mineral oil.

Claim 10. (Cancelled)

Claim 11. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the acid compound component is selected from the group consisting of alpha and beta hydroxy acids, tartaric acid, benzoic acid, citric acid, malic acid and lactic acid.

Claim 12. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aromatic nitrogen containing compound component is selected from the group consisting of

piperidine, indole, methyl anthranilate, dimethyl anthranilate, isobutyl quinoline, aromatic pyrazines and geranyl nitrile.

Claim 13. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aldehyde component is selected from the group consisting of helional, benzaldehyde, methyl benzaldehyde, lilial, lyral, aldehyde C-11, undecylenic, aldehyde C-12 lauric, triplal and geraniol oxy acetaldehyde.

Claim 14. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aromatic phenol component is selected from the group consisting of maltol, thymol, ethyl vanillin, vanillin, and isoeugenol.

C/ Claim 15. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the natural essential oil containing terpenes component is selected from the group consisting of D-Limonene, orange oil, lemon oil, mandarin oil, grapefruit oil, lime oil and terpineol.

Claim 16. (Original) The fragrance composition according to Claim 2, wherein the organic solvent component is selected from the group consisting of dipropylene glycol, propylene glycol, ethyl alcohol, isopropyl myristate and mineral oil.

Claim ~~17~~. (Cancelled)

Claim ~~18~~. (Cancelled)

Claim ~~19~~. (Cancelled)

Claim ~~20~~. (Cancelled)

Claim ~~21~~. (Cancelled)

C/ Claim 22. (Original) The composition according to Claim 2, wherein the acid compound component comprises at least about 20% by weight of the overall composition.

Claim 23. (Original) The composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aromatic nitrogen containing compound component comprises at least about 2.5% by weight of the overall composition.

Claim 24. (Original) The composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aldehyde component comprises at least about 1.0% by weight of the overall composition.

Claim 25. (Original) The composition according to Claim 2, wherein the aromatic phenol component comprises at least about 0.2% by weight of the overall composition.

Claim 26. (Original) The composition according to Claim 2, wherein the natural essential oil containing terpenes component comprises at least about 5% by weight of the overall composition.

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Claim 27. (Currently Amended) A method of producing different olfactive characteristics when a fragrance composition is applied on the skin of different individuals, comprising the step of adding to said fragrance composition ~~an effective amount~~ a combination, without application of heat, of at least about 20% by weight overall of one or more acid compounds and an effective amount of one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of aromatic nitrogen containing compounds, aldehydes, aromatic phenols and natural essential oils containing terpenes.
